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<b>RE: Verrips; Case No. F7544(V); UNUS No. Y2-0398-UNI</b>	
<b>Attached please find:</b>  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Amendment</li><li>2. Transmittal letter</li><li>3. Extension</li></ol> <b>for:</b>  <b>Applicant:</b> Verrips <b>Serial No.:</b> 09/880,199 <b>Filed:</b> June 13, 2001 <b>For:</b> LACTOBACILLUS CONTAINING PRODUCT	

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**PATENT**  
**CASE #F7544(V)**  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Group: 1761  
Examiner: Keith Hendricks  
Edgewater, New Jersey 07020

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A RESPONSE**

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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time to file a Response for three months from May 25, 2004 to August 25, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1155 in the amount of \$950.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account. This request is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



Gerard J. McGowan, Jr.  
Attorney for Applicant  
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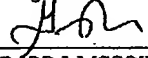
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  
[ X ] No additional fee is required.

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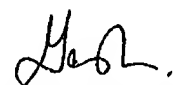
**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	(2) * Claims Remaining After Amendment		(4)** Highest No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims		Minus			\$ 18.00	
Independent Claims		Minus			\$ 86.00	
Multiple Claims					\$ 290.00	
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